



MAGDALEN GATES PRIMARY



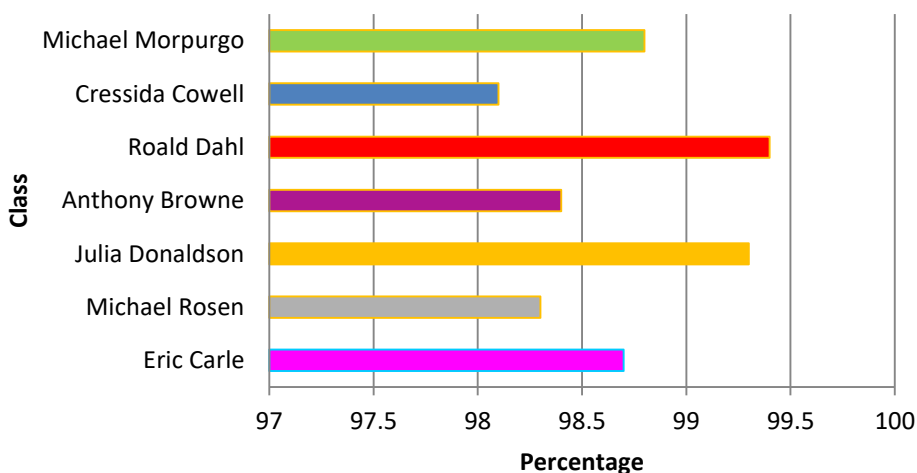
Weekly Newsletter

19/11/2018

Well done to Year 4 who received the £10 in assembly. Whole school attendance for the week was 98.8%

Bar Chart:

Weekly Attendance Percentage



This time last year our whole school attendance from September to November was 97.5%.

This year, to date, our attendance is 96.7%

REMEMBER that the school registers close at 9am. After 9am your child's lateness is marked as a U Code. U Codes are unauthorised absences.
9 unauthorised absences over 6 weeks can lead to a Fixed Penalty Notice

School Uniform Provider

News coming soon. Watch this space!

FOMG Disco

Wow! We had a fantastic turnout for the FOMG Disco on Friday 9th, raising **£343.70** in total! We would like to thank the hardworking FOMG parents who willingly give up their time so we can hold these popular school discos that the children love. We would also like to thank all our parents who filled up the much-loved pint pots for the children. Many thanks also to the DJ for the night - Sid and Ed's Dad, Jon, who gave up his Friday evening to spin the decks and provide fantastic DJ skills!

Attendance Trip - Bowling



All children who have achieved an attendance of 97+% from September 6th to December 6th 2018 will be invited to attend this term's attendance trip to....

HOLLYWOOD BOWL, RIVERSIDE!

A consent letter will be sent out to all those eligible on Friday 7th December, so please check your child's bookbag/coat pocket! The letter of consent needs to be signed and returned back into the school office by Tuesday 11th December. Please note, office staff will not be ringing with reminders. If your child does not want to attend, they will stay in school.

Governor Visit Maths Mastery – Mr Bearman

Governors Richard Bearman & Dave Wadsworth visited EYFS and Yr1 on Tuesday 13th to see 'maths mastery' in action. We were very impressed by the knowledge of the youngest children in school and their ability to grasp the multiple ways of adding up numbers to get 10, which was the topic in Yr1.

Demonstrating the concept of 'part' and 'whole' to the reception class was brilliantly done with visual aids by the teacher, ably supported by our great EA's. We could clearly see that during the session some children had 'got it' very quickly, but for all, there were follow up activities and table work to give many chances for those at all levels to be able to grasp the essentials of counting numbers and adding up.

These vital building blocks will be the basis of Maths work throughout KS1 and the whole school and, if the pupils we saw today continue to work as hard as they progress through the school, there is no doubt we are seeing mathematicians, accountants and engineers of the future being created right here at Magdalen Gates! Well done indeed to Ms. Emma Bramble for leading the programme of Maths Mastery at our school.

FOMG Christmas Fair - 7th December 3:15pm



The FOMG have started planning the Christmas Fair but have asked if a mention in the newsletter could go out as **they will require support from other parents in organising this event.**

Sometimes, parents are reluctant to get involved in fundraising activities because they think it will take a large chunk of their time. We do appreciate some of our parents/carers are at work or busy, but are you able to come into school an hour earlier to help set up ready for the fair on the 7th, or help man a stall for half an hour? Could you spend 10/15 minutes to help sell the raffle tickets on the playground one afternoon or wrap some gifts? There are a lot of jobs and **help from parents/carers** will be required to make this a success.

Please do speak to either Freddie (Yr4) or Miles & Alex (Yr2+4) mum, or you can leave your name with the school office who will pass your details on. In case any of our parent/carers would like one, there are 2 stalls available at £5 each.

Please spare some time to help the FOMG with their efforts to raise money with fundraising which helps school provide fantastic enrichment opportunities for your child(ren)

Governor – Spotlight

I have been a school governor at Magdalen Gates Primary since October 2017. I wanted to become a governor as my daughter Kacie started at the school in Reception in September 2017. As a new parent of a child in school, I felt it would be a perfect opportunity to understand more about the school structure and values and make a commitment to support these values and contribute to good practices within the school.

I have been learning all about the school safeguarding policies and how important keeping children safe is to all the staff and fellow governors. One of my roles is to represent the governing board on the GDPR (data protection) to ensure we look after and use all the information we have about the children, staff and parents in the right way.

Since becoming a governor at the school, I have been overwhelmed by how friendly and helpful all the staff are. There is always a member of staff around to help answer any questions I have. As a governor I have had the privilege of seeing and hearing about all of the fantastic work the children are doing and the school is constantly working towards achieving great outcomes across the curriculum. The children always appear to be enjoying their learning and take pride in their work. As a governor I think that it is important that the school creates a safe and happy environment for children to learn and thrive. I'm looking forward to attending the forest walks later this month. Hayley Dawson

Christmas Lunch Ordering



Christmas lunch menu is as follows for this year:

- Roast Turkey, Gravy and Stuffing with port chipolata or
- Roast Vegetable & Cheese Crown individual puff pastry crowns
All served with
- Roast Potatoes, carrots, peas or sprouts and gravy
- Dessert - Raspberry Ripple Artic Roll

KS1 (years EYFS, 1 and 2) xmas lunch will be on the 10th December whilst KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5, 6) will have the Sausage and Mash/vegetarian sausages and mash options with chocolate muffin for dessert.

KS2 xmas lunch will be on 11th December with KS1 pupils having sausage and mash/vegetarian sausages and mash options with chocolate muffin for dessert.

Please note there will be no other lunch options available for these 2 days.

School money - If you have pre-ordered for these dates using the main menu then your choices will have been removed and credit added to your account. Please log in and select your Christmas Lunch choice as soon as possible, last minute orders will not be accepted.

Finally - if you have mislaid your password or have never used Schoolmoney before and want to order Christmas lunch, then please let the office know and we will be pleased to help you. Thank you

Outstanding Teacher Programme Feedback - Miss Vincent

I have successfully completed the Outstanding Teacher Programme course and implemented techniques in lessons. The course was very hands on and as such we gained a toolkit of activities and techniques which I feel has enhanced my teaching as such the children's experience in the classroom. The trainer led us through theory and practice and was on hand to provide advice and support. The OTP provided a refresher of useful ideas and methodologies that we had been given training on previously as a whole school, such as the Learning Pit, effective feedback and Growth Mindset and looked at how we can use these within the classes much more effectively to achieve greater impact.

The course consisted of three modules; engagement, feedback and challenge, each building on and adding to the skills from the previous module. Implementing these techniques has had positive impact on children's attitude to learning and as a result their progress. In particular, at the end of last school year, I was able to reflect that most children in the class were much more open to making mistakes and were able to realise that this was an important part of the learning process. This was a big shift in mindset in comparison to the start of the year. I have received very positive feedback from the trainer post video observation sessions. Lots of the strategies introduced link closely with our Visible Learning strategies.

Policies

Our policies are on our school website. This is where you will find the Safeguarding, GDPR and Behaviour policies amongst others.

We can sometimes take it for granted when things are going well, but I do hope that you will tell me, or members of staff when you are pleased with the school or the children; Success and praise are such strong motivators!



Denise - Kitchen

I am also known as Dee and I work for Edwards & Blake in the kitchen. I have been working as a lunchtime assistant at Magdalen Gates for just over 5 years. I have 2 boys, Jacob who still attends Magdalen Gates, and Barnaby, who is now at High School. Working at the school fits in really well with looking after my children. My job is to help prepare and serve the children with morning snack and their midday lunch.



Over the last 5 years I have got to know all the children. It's been lovely to see them grow up and become such confident members of the school as they progress through from Reception to Yr6. I do love my job and working with the ladies, not only in the kitchen, but the whole team at Magdalen Gates.

Diary Dates

Tue 20 th	Yr4	9-12:30pm	Yr4 Cinema City trip
	Yr2+Yr3 Parents	12:30-1:30pm	Yr2+Yr3 Parents invited to join their child for lunch
Wed 21 st	Yr5	9:15-10:15am	Yr5 Autumn Café (please note rescheduled date)
	Yr4 Parents	12:30-1:30pm	Yr4 Parents invited to join their child for lunch
	EYFS & Yr1	3:15-4pm	Parents invited for workshop regarding Mathematics Mastery
Thr 22 nd	Yr5+Yr6 Parents	12:30-1:30pm	Yr5+Yr6 Parents invited to join their child for lunch
Fri 23 rd	All	8:30-9:15am	Tapestry Drop-in. For any queries, problems or log-in issues please pop by at the office where Mrs Welch will be happy to help/advise
Mon 26 th	EYFS	1-3pm	Visit to Waterloo Park + Britannia Park Café
	ALL	3:30pm	Parents On-line Safety Workshop for all parents/carers

Tue 27 th	EYFS+ KS1 + Pivot Parents	2:30pm	3 rd (Repeat) Workshop Read, Write Inc. Please attend if you have not been to the previous workshops held.
Thr 29 th	Yr5	12:30-3pm	Visit to Pedro's restaurant
Fri 30 th	All	8:30-9:15am	Tapestry Drop-in. For any queries, problems or log-in issues please pop by at the office where Mrs Welch will be happy to help/advise
	Yr2	9:20-10:20am	Yr2 Autumn Café (this is a rescheduled date)
	Yr4	1:30-2:30pm	Food Discovery
	Yr3 Parents	2:45pm	Yr3 Class Assembly – parents and extended family welcome
	All	3:15pm	Bake for Books – Hosted by KS2
Mon 1 st	EYFS+KS1	1:30-2:30pm	Magician visit
Tue 4 th	Yr1	9-12pm	Yr1 Puppet workshop
Wed 5 th	By invite	12-2pm	Care Rangers Xmas lunch at The Street Café
Thur 6 th	ALL	9-10:30	Christmas Coffee morning - All parents/carers/extended family welcome
	By invite	12-2pm	Care Rangers Xmas lunch at The Street Café
Fri 7 th	All	8:30-9:15am	Tapestry Drop-in. For any queries, problems or log-in issues please pop by at the office where Mrs Welch will be happy to help/advise
	All	All day	DECORATION DAY –
		3:15pm	Magdalen Gates Christmas Fair
Mon 10 th	EYFS+KS1	12-1pm	EYFS+ KS1 Christmas lunch
Tue 11 th	Yr2, 3, 4, 5 & 6	12:30-1:30pm	KS2 Christmas lunch
	EYFS+KS1	1:45pm	Christmas Play "Born in a Barn"
	Yr3	2-3pm	Yr3 Autumn Café
Wed 12 th	EYFS+KS1	9:30am	Christmas Play "Born in a Barn"
Thur 13 th	By invite	9-12:30pm	Termly attendance trip – Bowling at Riverside
Fri 14 th			Traffic Light attendance cards home
	Whole School	9-3:15pm	Hippodrome Christmas Spectacular!
		3:15pm	School Closes for Christmas holiday

School re-opens at 8:45am on THURSDAY 3rd JANUARY 2019